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Saratov Airframe Plant No. 292 is located within the city. This plant has produced the Yakolev-designed Flashlight (YAK-25), a twin jet all-weather fighter, since 1954. The Flashlight was probably phased out in 1957 or 1958, since which time the plant's production activities have been unknown. An observation of the factory in December, 1957, the only positive sighting since the phase-out of Flashlight, revealed the presence on the factory airfield of an aircraft with a low horizontal stabilizer.

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Plant No. 292, formerly one of the largest Soviet airframe plants engaged in fighter production, has recently undergone a new construction program of some magnitude. It is doubtful that such a modern airframe plant would remain dormant for any length of time.

While there is no firm intelligence on the production status of Plant No. 292, [redacted] may presage the implication of the plant in some stage of production on a new Yakolev designed fighter.

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